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SENATE WILL TRY AGAIN
ON CIA RESOLUTION

Washington, July 15--U. S. Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr., (D-NJ) said today that there will be another attempt, this year, to give the Senate Foreign Relations Committee a role in supervising the operations of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Senator Williams said: "We will certainly give the Armed Services Committee time to report out the resolution which was referred to it yesterday.

"But, if it gets late in the session and there is no indication that it is going to be brought out, we will attempt to use other parliamentary methods to obtain a vote of the full Senate on the resolution."

Senator Williams said he has conferred with some of the supporters of the resolution and they seem determined not to let it die without a vote on its substance.

Yesterday's 61-20 vote to refer the resolution to the Armed Services Committee was on procedure, rather than substance. The resolution would have created a nine-member Senate Committee to oversee the operations of the CIA. Its effect would have been to add three members of the Foreign Relations Committee to the existing committee, made up of members of the Armed Services and Appropriations Committees.

Senator Williams said today: "The Central Intelligence Agency has, in fact, made foreign policy. In some cases it has been good foreign policy. In some cases, for instance, the Bay of Pigs, it has been disastrously bad.

"But, whether it is good or bad, by the very nature of its operations the CIA sometimes makes foreign policy. And it is the duty of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to be informed of and to guide this process."

Senator Williams added: "The CIA makes me--and others--uneasy chiefly for one reason. The Agency has two functions: intelligence and operations.

"Properly, the operations should be tailored to the intelligence. In fact, there has been strong reason to suspect, in a number of instances, that the intelligence has

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